for control of pollution in the major citie3 including Delhi.

(xiii) City planners have been advised to incorporate in their plan the long-term requirements o; city trans, portation.

(xiv) Lead level ;n gasoline has. been reduced to a maximum of 0.15 grammes per litre in the gasoline supplied to four metros of Delhi, Bomay, Calcutta and Madras with effect from April 1994 and would be introduced throughout the country by December, 1996. It is proposed to reduce this further.

(xv) A High Powered Committee has been set up under the Chairmanship of Secretary (E&F), Government of India to prepare a comprehensive action plan on environmental pollution control in Delhi.

Setting up of Birds Research Centre

2068. SHRI BHAGABAN MAJHI: Will the Minister cf ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have set up a Birds Research Centre at Chandwa in Orissa;

(b) if so, the total land acquired for the purpose;

(c) whether comensatiom has been paid to the farmers whose land was acquired; and

'(d) if so, at what rate and the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI KAMAL NATH): (a) This Ministry has not set up a Birds Research Centre at Chandwa in Orissa.

(b) to (d) Do not arae-

Plantation of Trees in the country

2069. MISS SAROJ KHAPARDE : Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state :

(a) the total number of trees which. were planted in the coimtrv during the last three years, till date, State/Union Territory-wise;

(b) the total cost incurred in tree fplaning in each State|Union Territory during the same period; and

(c) what is the rate Ot survival of the trees planted dining the above period in each State/Union Terriory separately?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI KAMAL NATH): ,a) Under the 20-Poinj Programme, targets for afforestation/tree planting activities are Axed annually in firms of .-.eedling distribution for planting on privati lands and areas coverage through afforestation on public lands including forest lands. The State/Union Territory-wise details of afforestation/tree planting activities undertaken during the last three years viz. 1991-92, 1992-93, 1993-94 are given in the statement at Annexure I. *{See* Appendix 171), Annexure 34)

(b) The expenditure incurred on affo-restation/tree planting activities under the 20-Point Programme during the years viz. 1991-92, 1992-93 and allocation and utilisation for the year 1993-94 are given in the statement I enclosed. *{See* below)

(c) Survival rate studies in respect of the afforestation and tree planting activi ties are undertaken on the basis of sample checks conducted in 50 randomly selected districts throughout the country. The sample checks of afforestation/tree planting activities undertaken during 1991-92 were conducted through independent agencies/experts in 48 randomly selected districts of the country. The results of the samples checks are given in the statement—II. *{Se*e below). Annexure-II. The sample checks of afforestation/tree plant-ing activities undertaken during 1992-93 are being conducted through independent aeencies/experts In 50 randomly selected districts of the country. The list of the districts selected for the purpose are given in the staterfientf-jn.